

## **POLITICS**

### **DEBATE PREPARATIONS**

**OCTOBER 2, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (03:12)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that barefoot on the beach, Al Gore looked unusually nonchalant on the day before the big debate. George Bush on his way to Boston, stopped in West Virginia saying he planned to relax and jog but gave a hint of how he might have attacked his opponent the previous Tuesday night. The debate would be the first time American voters would see Bush and Gore side by side, sparring over issues. At the University of Massachusetts, the stage was set. The two sides had to agree on everything from camera angles, to the height of the podium. They were practicing the answers, the rhetoric they were going to use in talking to each other.

### **GORE/BUSH TODAY**

**OCTOBER 4, 2000 3:30 P.M. TRT (03:45)**

KCAL 9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the first debate was over and it was back on the campaign trail for George W. Bush and Al Gore. After campaigning in Massachusetts that morning, Bush headed to an afternoon rally in Pennsylvania. Bush said America needed to teach its children character in schools, and it needed to stop the class warfare between the rich and poor. The Texas governor also rated the quality of the debate. Meanwhile over in Ohio, several thousand people turned out to hear the Vice President who said he had been invigorated by the previous night's presidential debate. Gore, once again accused his opponent of catering to the wealthy. A day after the big debate, most polls gave Al Gore a slight edge over George W. Bush.

### **CHENEY**

**OCTOBER 4, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:29)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported on the first vice presidential debate which was being dubbed "The thrill in the Ville!" Ville as in Danville, Kentucky where they were putting the final touches on the set at Centre College for the following night's showdown. Republican candidate Dick Cheney huddled with advisers preparing for Joseph Lieberman. But Vice President Al Gore was on Cheney's mind earlier in the day when he attacked Gore for false statements the previous night. Cheney said he would present a pleasant yet professional demeanor the following night.

**LIEBERMAN**

**OCTOBER 4, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:26)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Democratic vice-presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman spent the day at Eastern Kentucky University preparing for the debate. Lieberman held a mock debate that night at the exact time of the following day's showdown.

**VICE PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE**

**OCTOBER 5, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (03:15)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that in a more casual and relaxed discussion than Tuesday night's presidential debate, Joe Lieberman and Dick Cheney covered much of the same ground that Al Gore and George W. Bush already dealt with. On the issue of who's responsible for the bickering that has often paralyzed Washington, the vice presidential candidates came to life. When moderator Bernard Shaw of CNN asked both men to put themselves in the shoes of an African American and evaluate the controversial practice of racial profiling, Lieberman made this pledge. Cheney agreed that racial profiling in troubling but did not join in promising to outlaw it. But Lieberman was on the spot when it came to reforming social security because he had once supported a pilot program allowing private investments which he now opposes as Al Gore's running mate. The running mates clashed on energy policy as well with Lieberman arguing that conservation is a big part of the solution and Cheney insisting that the administration had done nothing to stimulate drilling for domestic oil. One of the night's longest clashes was over the question of the state of America's military forces.

**DAY AFTER DEBATE**

**OCTOBER 6, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:18)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that after two debates that week the presidential campaign remained a horse race. All of the major party candidates stumped that day for votes in key battleground states. The debate turned into a long distance clash.

**HILLARY DEBATE**

**OCTOBER 7, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:16)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dilva Henry reported that things were heating up in the senate race between First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and Representative Rick Lazio. On the eve of their second debate, the two continue to spar over campaign finance reform. The issue creating waves again was the ban on soft money.

**PAT BUCHANAN**

**OCTOBER 9, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 reporter Kerry Kilbride reported that reform party candidate Patrick Buchanan unveiled a new campaign commercial that day in Sacramento. In the controversial ad, Buchanan said immigration was hurting the U.S. That night the conservative candidate was in Los Angeles.

**VOTER REGISTRATION**

**OCTOBER 11, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:43)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that time was running out for those of you who had not registered to vote in the November election. You could get forms at most Los Angeles County buildings, city halls, libraries and fire stations. DMV and Post Offices also had the forms and registrar-recorder county clerk offices had them in six languages. You could also download the registration forms in the mail as long as they were postmarked on or before October 10<sup>th</sup>. For procrastinators, there was a midnight madness registration event at the Hollywood Bowl the following evening from 4 to midnight.

**PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE**

**OCTOBER 11, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:22)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported on that night's debate as a sit-down exchange between Vice President Gore and Governor Bush, and although there were plenty of disagreements on the issues, the tone was less formal and more relaxed than the previous week's debate in Boston. But it was more straightforward discussion nonetheless.

**PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE**

**OCTOBER 11, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (03:12)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that the most spirited and combative exchange of the night came when Bush and Gore clashed over the issue of health care, as the two candidates addressed the question of what they would do for the 40-million Americans who had no health insurance. Much of that night's debate dealt with foreign policy issues, from the Middle East to the Balkans. That time it was Bush, who pressed the issue, criticizing the current policy, accusing the administration of overextending the U.S. military in various nation-building exercises around the world. The most interesting exchange of the night came when Governor Bush was asked about the questions he and his campaign had raised about Al Gore's credibility and character.

**LIEBERMAN IN L.A.**

**OCTOBER 11, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:12)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Al Gore's running mate Joseph Lieberman watched the debate that night in San Diego. Earlier, Lieberman arrived in Los Angeles and stayed long enough to attend a half-million dollar fundraiser for the democratic national committee. Lieberman had raised more than four million dollars in the golden state.

**GORE RALLY**

**OCTOBER 21, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported on 17 days and counting before Americans decided whom our next president would be. Al Gore campaigned in the big easy earlier that day. At a meeting with community leaders, the Vice-President charged his republican rival with pitting the young against the old. Gore also attacked George W. Bush's foreign policies, accusing the Texas Governor of turning his back on NATO.

**CHENEY MC CAIN RALLY**

**OCTOBER 21, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that in the Battleground State of Michigan republican vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney and Senator John McCain rolled into Plymouth for a pep rally. Cheney accused the democrats of abandoning the automobile industry. From there, Cheney headed to Ann Arbor for the Michigan State game where he courted the undecided voters. Republicans saw Michigan as one of six "swing" states that will determine the outcome of the election. George W. Bush spent much of that day at his Teas ranch talking to volunteers via satellite. The latest Newsweek poll gave Bush a 48 to 41 percent lead over Gore.

**MIDEAST LATEST**

**OCTOBER 22, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that a face to face meeting between Israelis and Palestinians seemed unlikely any time soon. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak had called for a time-out from peace efforts. Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat responded to Barak's announcement saying, quote "He can go to hell." Meanwhile in the west band, clashed continued on the streets of Ramallah, and the peace talks were still at a standstill. Officials said more violence was expected in the week ahead.



**GORE RALLY**

**OCTOBER 22, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:16)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that democratic presidential candidate Al Gore lashed out at Hollywood and the violent material allowed on television and in the movies as he stumped for votes in Blush's home turf of Texas. Gore also made stops in Albuquerque, New Mexico and Portland State University in Oregon.

**EARLY VOTING**

**OCTOBER 22, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:31)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that with 16 days left until Election Day, some registered voters here in California had already cast their ballots. They had done it through the touch screen computers. Several L.A. counties had tossed out the paper ballots and gone high tech for the general election. Reviews were mixed. Votes stored on hard drives on the touch screen ballot boxes would be tallied November 7<sup>th</sup> along with traditional absentee ballots.

**CARNAHAN WIFE**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:43)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that Missouri's new governor wanted to keep politics in his predecessor's family. The late Governor Mel Carnahan was laid to rest that day, one week after his deadly plane crash. Carnahan was running for a U.S. Senate seat and his name would be on the ballot the following two weeks. After that day's funeral, newly appointed Governor Roger Wilson said he was asking Carnahan's widow to follow in her late husband's political footsteps. Jean Carnahan had not publicly said whether she would accept the Senate seat if her husband won it but democratic insiders said she was inclined to take the job.

**MIDEAST**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that hopes for peace in the Middle East had been shattered again. Two more Palestinians were killed that day in clashes with Israeli forces in the West Bank and Gaza. The confrontations were getting closer to a neighborhood on Jerusalem's South Eastern outskirts. Israelis were having difficulty adjusting. A peace settlement with the Palestinians was said to be in sight. The future looked bleak with conflict likely. Beyond the violence and the political maneuvering, there was a looming deadline. The following Monday,

the Knesset reassembled to determine the fate of Prime Minister Ehud Barak's minority government.

**KOREA REACT**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:44)**

KCAL 9 reporter Andre Moreau reported that it had not been long since many Americans referred to North Korea as a Rogue state. But there the U.S. delegation was sipping wine with North Korean dignitaries talking about peace and continuing a new dialogue after a chilling 50 years of silence.

**ALBRIGHT/NORTH KOREA**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:21)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported on an unprecedented attempt at peace. U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was reaching out to the leader of North Korea. Both sides had discussed bridging the gap between the U.S. and North Korea. It was something that had not happened in 50 years. We had expanded team coverage that.

**HOLDEN/WACHS**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:29)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported on a bitter battle on the L.A. City Council between councilmen Nate Holden and Joel Wachs who was running for mayor. Holden supported a motion that denounced Wachs for sending out informational booklets to residents in all 15 council districts. Holden called it a misuse of taxpayer money. But Wachs accused Holden of applying a double standard. Holden said the booklets cost almost 712-thousand dollars but Wachs said the money came out of his office budget.

**FEINSTEIN/CAMPBELL**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (03:45)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that in the first televised debate of that year's nearly invisible California U.S. Senate race, GOP Congressman Tom Campbell came out firing, accusing Democratic incumbent Senator Dianne Feinstein of hiding her husband Richard Blum's financial holdings in a company that had significant investments in China. Stunned by the attack, Feinstein charged that Campbell, who quoted two newspaper stories as his source, did not have his facts straight. They argued over her claim that Blum no longer held any China investments. The Campbell campaign had taken to calling Feinstein the

manichurian candidate referring to the movie about a presidential candidate who had been brainwashed by a foreign power. In his TV commercials, Campbell had attacked Feinstein's support for the war on drugs.

### **CALIFORNIA POLL**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:23)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a new poll showed George W. Bush closing the gap on Al Gore in California, a state once thought to be solidly in the Vice President's pocket. A new poll by the public policy institute showed the two men separated by only five points. Bush had 39 percent of the vote in California compared to 44 percent for Gore. Gore led Bush by double digits throughout the summer.

### **BUSH TODAY**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:21)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that George W. Bush was also trying to swing those last remaining undecided voters. That morning he spoke to a cheering crowd of voters in the Chicago suburb of Arlington and talked about change. The presidential candidate was joined by 28 fellow republican governors who were rallying support for the Texas leader. They were on a three day 25 state campaign blitz. Bush stopped off in Tennessee later that day to kick off a Florida bus tour in Jacksonville that night.

### **GORE**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:36)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that the presidential election was only two weeks away. Both Vice President Al Gore and Governor George Bush were hitting the campaign trail hard that day. The democratic nominee was in Arkansas. Al Gore and wife Tipper spoke to a receptive crowd that morning in Little Rock. Tipper reminded voters about the abortion issue. She said it was one area where the decision was clear cut. Her husband was for freedom of choice and his opponent was not. Gore reminded the group about the last eight years of prosperity. The Vice President appeared to be losing ground in California. A new poll showed his lead over Bush had dropped from nine to five points since the previous month. Part of the reason was green party candidate Ralph Nader; his support had increased two percent to 6 percent.

**JORDAN/FREE TRADE**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that President Clinton was meeting with the king of Jordan that day. The two leaders were expected to sign a major economic deal establishing a free trade relationship. Jordan's King Abdullah and President Clinton would sign the deal they worked out four months before. It removed all barriers to trade between the two countries. The Clinton administration said it was important for stability in the Middle East. The agreement would have a small impact on the U.S. economy, but the White House said the deal would give a boost to Jordan's ailing economy. The pact still needed congressional approval.

**CARNAHAN WIDOW**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that the wife of fallen Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan could be named to fill her husband's seat in the Senate. If Carnahan ended up being the top vote-getter in the election his wife Jean may be asked to go to Washington. Earlier that day, Governor Roger Wilson said he would ask Mrs. Carahan to do so if incumbent Senator John Ashcroft lost. Mel Carnahan died in a plane crash the previous week.

**TERRORIST ALERT**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 3:30 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 anchor Mia Lee reported that U.S. personnel in the Persian Gulf were on highest alert that afternoon. That was after terrorist threats were made against citizens and troops in the Persian Gulf. Troops in Qatar and Bahrain were affected by the alert. The move came nearly two weeks after the bombing of the U.S.S. Cole that killed 17 soldiers and wounded more than 30.

**DA DEBATE**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:42)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that the two candidates in the race for L.A. District Attorney squared off that day. Incumbent Gil Garcetti faced Steve Cooley in a live radio debate. It took place that morning on public radio. One of the more heated exchanges came when Cooley charged that Garcetti had taken no responsibility for the Rampart scandal. Garcetti went on to say that the Rampart scandal was primarily an L.A.P.D. in he corruption probe in whatever way possible.

**MIDEAST TODAY**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that the search for Middle East peace continued to be an elusive quest. That day hundreds of Palestinians took part in the funeral of a 16-year-old despite torrential rains. The boy was shot and killed in clashes with Israeli soldiers in the Gaza strip. The rain and cold weather helped put a damper on the fighting in the West Bank. But clashes continued in parts of the Gaza strip, where conditions were drier. The Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat met with the European peace envoy to the Middle East. They discussed ways to ease tension between Israel and the Palestinians.

**NADER/SPOILER**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:22)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that supporters of green party Ralph Nader were concerned their candidate may have been getting too popular in California. The party was pulling planned newspaper ads because they could hurt Gore. Since some green party members knew Nader would not win the election they believed a vote for Gore was better than a vote for Bush.

**BUSH FLASH**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:20)**

KCAL 9 reporter Andre Moreau reported that Bush rolled across Florida looking for votes he once thought were already locked up. Senator John McCain joined the effort. Bush accused Al Gore of trying to scare seniors on social security and Medicare. He told crowds that his proposals would give seniors more choices, and would also help younger workers save for their retirement.

**GORE/TENNESSEE**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 reporter Andre Moreau reported that Al Gore swept across Tennessee in an all-out effort to win over voters in his home state. Gore and running mate Joe Lieberman appeared together at a Nashville rally. He blasted George W. Bush's education proposals. He cited a Rand corporation study that casted doubt on the Governor's education record in Texas. Gore had never lost an election in Tennessee, but the race there was a dead heat.



**MILITARY CRASH**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:16)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that a Russian Defense Ministry plane crashed into a mountain region in the Soviet Republic of Georgia. The plane was reportedly leaving Moscow when it veered off course in bad weather. It was not clear how many people were on board, but everyone was feared dead. News reports said the passengers included servicemen, their wives and children coming back from vacation.

**MIDEAST VIOLENCE**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:34)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that heavy rains in Gaza may have discouraged the fighting in the Middle East. Reports from the region said the confrontations were not as widespread as they were a few days before. Scattered clashes had erupted in the West Bank on the outskirts of Ramallah. President Clinton was calling for the leaders of both warring sides to meet with him in Washington. He was invited Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak to meet with him separately. He said both men had the power to end the bloodshed. Both sides agreed to a cease fire last week.

**ROGAN/GUN VOTES**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:33)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that members of a national voters group along with various community leaders had harsh words for Republican Congressman Jim Rogan and his record on gun control. The group "League of Conservation Voters" met in Pasadena that day. They called Rogan's voting record anti-commonsense, anti-children's health and anti-safety. The group also blasted Rogan's environmental record saying he voted to cut important programs designed to maintain clean air and water in California.

**BUSH FLORIDA**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:31)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that George W. Bush criss-crossed the state that day reaching out to voters he once thought were locked up. At every stop, overflow crowds greeted the candidate who was accompanied by former rival, Senator John McCain. Bush denied charges his proposed social security

reforms would jeopardize existing benefits. Bush and Gore were neck and neck in Florida, one of the states considered essential for Bush to win the presidency.

**GORE/TENNESSEE**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:26)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that both George W. Bush and Al Gore were fighting for states they once thought secure. Gore and running mate Joe Lieberman stumped across Gore's home state of Tennessee. In a speech at Tennessee State University, Gore criticized his opponent's education record. Gore had never lost an election in Tennessee, but the polls said the race at best, was a dead heat that night.

**GAZA SUICIDE**

**OCTOBER 26, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:45)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported on more violence in the Mid East. It came as President Clinton was trying to arrange peace talks in Washington. Israeli officials said a 24-year-old Palestinian riding a bicycle detonated a bomb near an army outpost in Gaza City. He was killed and an Israeli soldier was slightly injured. The dead man apparently worked for a charity run by Islamic Jihad. At that time it was not clear if any group was responsible for the attack. After the explosion an Israeli tank blocked the main street, backing up Palestinian traffic for miles.

**HOLBROOKE/BOSNIA**

**OCTOBER 27, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:41)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that in Bosnia the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations visited the site of Europe's worst massacre since World War II. Richard Holbrooke went to the town of Srebrenica where in 1995 Serb forces expelled the entire Muslim population killing an estimated eight-thousand men. Holbrooke addressed Bosnian concerns after he met with Yugoslavia's new Democratic leader Vojislav Kostunica. Tens of thousands of Bosnian refugees had been afraid to return to areas still run by the Serbs.

**TIMES SQUARE THREAT**

**OCTOBER 27, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the threat of Middle East terrorism was making its way to the shores, the target, New York's Time Square. The FBI was investigating a series of threatening letters. The letters said bombs would be planted in New York City hotels and tourist sites, including Times Square. Authorities were not sure if the threats were real, or the work of a prankster. But

New York's Mayor said he was not taking any chances. The letters were sent to two New York hotels and the Washington Post. They turned up five days after the USS Cole was bombed in the Yemeni Port of Aden.

### **PENTAGON SECURITY**

**OCTOBER 27, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:26)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the nation's defense secrets were getting some added protection. The Pentagon reportedly was hiring 450 counter-intelligence specialists. The Washington Post said officials acted after learning that China had obtained classified U.S. Missile Technology. Lawmakers applauded the attempt to boost security. They said it was long overdue, coming more than five years after the defense department was told of suspected Chinese espionage. A Pentagon spokesman said it would take about two years to hire all those specialists.

### **KRISTIN GORE/DAVIS**

**OCTOBER 29, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:50)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that with only nine days left to go before the closest presidential election in a generation. That day Vice President Al Gore left campaigning in the Southland to his daughter. An enthusiastic Kristin Gore hit the campaign trail for her father in West Los Angeles that afternoon. The 23-year-old daughter of Al and tipper Gore joined governor Gray Davis, Gil Garcetti and actor Harry Hamlin in a "Get out the vote" event. She told the crowd her father was a candidate who would fight for the American people. From Los Angeles Kristin Gore traveled to Portland, Oregon that night for another Democratic Party get out the vote party with singer Melissa Etheridge.

### **INTERNET VOTING**

**OCTOBER 30, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:35)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported on future internet voting. The system would be tested in a pilot project in four California counties during the general election. The results were non-binding. Statewide Internet voting was still a long way off. Jones said the state would have to make sure the system was free of hackers before it could be implemented.

### **MIDEAST VIOLENCE**

**OCTOBER 30, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:37)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that the Mid East crisis escalated that night with an intense Israeli missile attack on the offices of Palestinian leader

Yasser Arafat. The assault was in retaliation for the murders of two Israelis. Both were killed in Jerusalem. Sporadic clashes between Israeli troops and Palestinian demonstrators punctured hopes for peace. An Israeli security guard was shot to death in East Jerusalem and a man was found stabbed to death with his hands bound in a field south of Jerusalem. Israeli Prime Minister, Ehud Barak said he was still ready to talk peace. As the Israeli parliament convened for the winter session there was a reprieve. The ultra-orthodox "Shas" party agreed to join Barak's coalition government for a few weeks and save it from collapse.

### **YOSEMITE MURDERS**

**OCTOBER 30, 2000 8:00 P.M. TRT (00:15)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that Stayner was to be sentenced the following month for the murder of Joie Armstrong. He pleaded guilty to the murder in exchange for a life sentence without parole. He still faces a "possible death penalty" for the killings of three Yosemite tourists early the previous year. A judge agreed to unseal the documents in the Armstrong case after news organizations argued his right to a fair trial became moot once he pleaded guilty to the crime.

### **BUDGET BATTLE**

**OCTOBER 31, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that a budget deadlock on Capitol Hill was keeping lawmakers in Washington just a week before the election. Republicans said President Clinton was playing politics when he vetoed the latest budget proposal. They claimed he wanted to make them look bad by forcing a government shutdown. But the President said the republicans were only interested in special interest groups. There was a chance Congress would have to make a deal in a lame duck session. That only happened four times in the last 20 years.

### **AMERICAN THREAT**

**OCTOBER 31, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:18)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that anti-American sentiment in Indonesia came with words of warning that night for travelers. The U.S. State Department was asking Americans to defer travel to Indonesia's largest island. That was because of rising anti-American sentiment in the area with violence in the Middle East adding fuel to the fire. Reports from the region said the U.S. Ambassador in Jakarta was supporting claims that the U.S. favored Israel over Palestine.

**ANTI-MEASURE A**

**NOVEMBER 1, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (01:08)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that L.A. County supervisors were lining up on both sides of "Measure A" which would expand the board of supervisors from five to nine seats. Councilmember Joel Wachs, County Supervisors Mike Antonovich, Don Knabe and Zev Yarolavsky turned out to denounce the measure that day. But supervisors Gloria Molina and Yvonne Braithewaite-Burke supported "Measure A". So did the Los Angeles Deputy sheriff's Department and the League of Women Voters. Voters would vote on the measure the following week.

**CLINTON RALLY**

**NOVEMBER 2, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:15)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that Clinton arrived in Baldwin Hills along with Governor Gray Davis and former basketball player "Magic" Johnson. They were all participating in a "Get out the Vote" rally.

**ROGAN/SCHIFF**

**NOVEMBER 2, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (02:39)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that once a rising star in the Republican party, Congressman Jim Rogan was fighting to save his job. Rogan had found himself in the middle of the most hotly contested race in the country. His challenger, Adam Schiff was going in for the kill. A key issue in the battle for the 27<sup>th</sup> Congressional District seat was Rogan's role as a prosecutor during the Clinton impeachment hearings the previous year. Analysts said that had made the two-term lawmaker extremely vulnerable. If Rogan found himself without a job Tuesday, analysts said the impeachment trial would not be the only cause. The Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena area had seen a shift in demographics over the previous few years. That was no longer a district made up of primarily white Republican conservatives. It was more diverse, home to more Latinos, Armenians, Asians and Blacks. The two candidates were both spending a lot of money to get their votes. Their combined coffers containing nearly ten million dollars, making that possibly the most expensive race in history. Analysts said who won that election would depend on who turned out at the polls. They said Republicans tended to faithfully cast their ballots but if the democrats came out in force, as they were expected to, there could be a new Congressman headed for the hill.



**BUSH/DUI**

**NOVEMBER 2, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (02:51)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that campaigning in crucial Midwest battleground states that day, Bush drew large enthusiastic crowds. That night he found himself explaining a drunk influence of alcohol nearly 25 years before in Kennebunkport, Maine after the story was first reported by Fox News. Bush said he learned his lesson and that he stopped drinking alcohol ten years after the incident, a decision he sometimes mentioned at campaign stops like the one recently. The candidate who was pressed by reporters that night had not previously disclosed the D.U.I. arrest. Even his own daughters, 18-year-old twins, did not know about it until he told them that night. After the final days of a close race, the Bush campaign hoped the voters would not hold that against him. That night, Bush indicated he was suspicious about the timing of the story coming out five days before the election. But a Gore spokesman emphatically denied the Democrats had anything to do with that.

**VOTER TURNOUT**

**NOVEMBER 8, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that voter turnout nationally increased that election, for the first time in several presidential elections. When all the ballots were recounted in Florida, about 100 million U.S. adults would have voted in that election. That was estimated to be up one percent nationally from the 1996 campaign. Many experts said voter turnout was so high because the race between Texas Governor George W. Bush and Vice President Al Gore energized thousands more voters, especially senior citizens who always voted in high numbers. Ralph Nader's third party campaign excited younger voters, many of whom had never voted before. Exit polls also showed that minority and union voters turned out in larger than expected numbers. Voter turnout reached its peak in 1960 when more than 63% of voters went to the polls in the John F. Kennedy, Richard Nixon election.

**BUSH VS. GORE**

**NOVEMBER 13, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Mia Lee reported that the day's biggest development was a court ruling not in favor of the Bush campaign. That day, a Federal judge ruled a manual recount in four Florida counties "can" go on. Meantime, the Gore campaign also headed to the courts, asking for more time.

**LATEST RECOUNT**

**NOVEMBER 13, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:28)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported over the continuing battle in the ballot recount. Tuesday, state election officials had imposed a deadline of 2pm Pacific Time for all Florida counties to complete the ballot recount. Also expected that day, a ruling on a challenge. To that deadline the challenge is backed by Volusia and Palm Beach counties. Friday was the deadline to count all of Florida's outstanding absentee ballots from overseas. Individual lawsuits continued in Palm Beach County over the "butterfly" ballots.

**PRES DEADLOCK**

**NOVEMBER 13, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that all eyes were on Florida. The Associate Press contacted all the counties and their tally showed George W. Bush leading Al Gore by 327 votes. That was the unofficial number by the news service. State officials had not released a final number yet.

**MEXICO RECOUNT**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a mathematical mistake in New Mexico had added up to more than 5 hundred more votes for Vice President Al Gore. Officials in Dona Ana County said the mistake happened when the absentee total was misread. The new tally put Gore ahead of Bush by 374 votes. Across New Mexico, state police continued a court ordered impoundment of ballots to ensure they were protected in case of a recount or challenge. The new tally gave Gore 286 thousand, 390 votes, and Bush 286 thousand and 15 votes.

**WEST PALM**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:43)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that George W. Bush came out on top in the certified vote in Florida. Democrats believed the Palm Beach hand count would turn things for Al Gore but Bush continued to lead after the original vote, the recount and now the certified tally. It could not get much closer, just 300 votes separate Bush and Al Gore and they awaited overseas ballots.

### **VOTER BALLOTS**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:22)**

KCAL 9 anchor reported that at the Los Angeles County recorders office, an automatic recount of one percent of the November ballots was on, a way to be sure that the election night count was accurate. County election workers were double checking the numbered holes that were punched as votes. In the recount, the Chad issue could come up in California. When voters don't punch the Chad completely it can stick to the ballot and then fall to the floor when the ballots were counted on the data processing machines.

### **ATLANTA HEARING**

**NOVEMBER 16, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:19)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that the 11<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals was hearing arguments that day in Atlanta. Bush was challenging that manual recounts in Florida violated the constitution. Some legal experts said the quick decision to hear the case could have meant it was on the fast track for the U.S. Supreme Court.

### **COUNTY COUNT**

**NOVEMBER 16, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that once Florida's highest court ruled that the manual recounts could continue, two counties did just that. The number crunching resumed that night in Broward County and in Palm Beach County.

### **MIA FAMILIES**

**NOVEMBER 17, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:17)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that President Clinton's visit offered some new hope for families of loved ones listed as missing in action. Both sides were cooperating in the investigation of soldiers missing since the war ended 25 years before. But, the scars of the Vietnam War still ran deep, especially for two California families.

### **TIMELINE**

**NOVEMBER 17, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:36)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that the only thing certain about the 2000 presidential election was no one knew how and when it would end. All overseas ballots were due by a 9pm deadline that night. A thousand of them had been

thrown out. Ballot recounts continued in three Florida counties. Florida's Secretary of State would release an updated count of the ballots the following day without comment. The state Supreme Court stopped her from certifying the results. On Monday, the Florida Supreme Court held a hearing on the hand recounts and whether they should be included in the final tally.

#### **CHENEY HOME**

**NOVEMBER 24, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:39)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that Republican Vice Presidential candidate Dick Cheney headed home from a Washington, D.C. hospital after being checked in for a heart attack. Cheney walked out of George Washington University hospital that morning with a wave and a smile for the waiting crowd. He was hospitalized Wednesday after suffering a mild heart attack. Cheney said his doctors had given him no indication he would not be able to serve as Vice President. Cheney said he planned to take the weekend off and then return to a normal schedule the following week.

#### **LATEST COUNTS**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:38)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Broward County had completed their manual recounts. The unofficial Florida count had Bush leading by 464 votes. The following day at 5pm Eastern Time, Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris was expected to certify the state's votes and declare a winner. After the certification, Al Gore planned to challenge the final results in three Florida counties. Then, the battle for the White House shifted to the U.S. Supreme Court where justices would hear oral arguments the following Friday on Bush's attempts to shut down the manual recounts in Florida.

#### **PERU SWEAR IN**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:23)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that Peru's interim President Valentin Paniagua swore in a new cabinet that day hoping to heal the country's battered democracy. The 15-member cabinet would be led by former United Nations Secretary General Jaaier Perez de Cuellar who would serve as both foreign and Prime Minister. His cabinet was expected to serve until July when the winner of April's special election would take over. Peru's Congress fired long ruling President Alberto Fujimori the previous week calling him "morally unfit."

**MILOSEVIC LEADER**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that despite being ousted from power, Slobodan Milosevic was once again a leader in Yugoslavia. That day the Yugoslavia socialist party overwhelmingly re-elected Milosevic as its party chief. That meant Milosevic would lead the socialists in crucial parliamentary elections the following month. Milosevic had been indicted for war crimes and was accused by most of his countrymen of causing economic and social misery during his 13-year reign. Milosevic claimed crisis came the previous month after he was ousted from power.

**GORE ICE CREAM**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that Al Gore was keeping a low profile, spending time with his family while his lawyers were quite busy. They were preparing to contest the Florida election results after the certification. They were certain to challenge the results in Miami-Dade and Nassau County where a machine recount showing a Gore gain of 52 votes was thrown out. In Palm Beach County Gore's lawyers were accusing officials of ignoring the standards set by the court for judging ballots.

**BUSH MANSION**

**NOVEMBER 25, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that while the foot soldiers in the battle over Florida were getting ready for the showdown, the generals were keeping a low profile. Governor George W. Bush returned to the mansion in Austin. He was greeted by supporters carrying anti-Gore banners. Although the demonstrators were calling for Vice President Gore to give up and Bush to become President elect, the Bush campaign had made public no plans to declare victory nor to challenge election results once Florida's votes were certified the following night.

**NETHERLAND/EUTHANASIA**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:22)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported on a landmark decision in the Netherlands. The country would be the first to legalize Euthanasia and doctor-assisted suicides. One house of the Dutch parliament voted overwhelming that day to approve the practices. It would still need to go to the Senate. But



passage there was considered a formality. Opponents said euthanasia replaced caring with killing.

### **INDIA/CEASE FIRE**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:26)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that a dozen more people were killed in fighting in India. This was happening as Government officials called for a cease-fire during the holy month of Ramadan. The violence centers on the fight over "Kashmir" between the military and separatist guerrillas. Hundreds of thousands of government soldiers were ordered that day not to fire on rebel troops during Ramadan, unless they were fired upon. The major militant groups had rejected the cease-fire. Two victims of that day's deadly violence were civilians.

### **CANADA ELECTIONS**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that it was a landslide at the ballot box for Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien. He called for an early election, just three years into his five-year term. Chretien and his liberal party had captured the most seats in the country's general election. The 66-year-old was first Canadian leader since World War Two to win three consecutive majorities in Parliament. In his victory speech, Chretien urged his opponents to work together to build a stronger country. The win made Chretien the longest-serving leader among the world's major industrial nations.

### **LATEST POLLS**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:33)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that according to polls, the previous night's plea for patience by the Vice President may have worked. Before the speech an ABC Washington Post poll showed 60 percent of those surveyed thought Al Gore should concede. 35% thought he should not. After the speech an NBC news poll showed Americans split evenly down the middle. It was also almost as close when pollsters asked who Americans wanted as their next President. 42% wanted Al Gore. 43% wanted George W. Bush.

### **KNESSET MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:24)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported on a critical test that day for Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and it could have meant his days in government were

numbered. Israel's parliament overwhelmingly approved plans to hold early elections. Under pressure, Barak agreed with the plan, a decision that could have cost him his job. Barak's administration was under criticism for his handling of the latest wave of violence with the Palestinians. A date for the election had not yet been set.

### **NEW MEXICO BALLOTS**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:13)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that most of the post-election focus had been on Florida. There were two states that just certified their votes that day, New Mexico and Tennessee. Tennessee's Governor Sundquist signed three copies of the state's election returned during a ceremony in Nashville that morning. The final totals showed Bush beat Gore in Tennessee even though it was Gore's home state.

### **RUSSIA SPY**

**NOVEMBER 29, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:17)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that Russian prosecutors were demanding the maximum prison sentence for an American businessman accused of spying. Edwin Pope was currently on trial in Moscow. He was arrested in April accused of purchasing Russian military secrets. The former Naval Intelligence officer claimed he was doing research on publicly available military documents. Pope was facing 20 years in prison and a 250 million-dollar fine.

### **WHITE HOUSE TREE**

**NOVEMBER 29, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:24)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that even though they did not know who the new resident of 16 hundred Pennsylvania Avenue were, the current ones, the Clintons were enjoying their last Christmas at the White House. Hillary Rodham Clinton watched as an 18-foot fir tree was delivered by horse drawn carriage to the White House. AT the same time, a Washington children's chorus sang Christmas carols. Mrs. Clinton told the crowd which included Santa Claus himself she would miss the annual Christmas festivities at the White House. The First Lady would be in New York the following year serving as a U. S. Senator.

**TIMELINE**

**NOVEMBER 29, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:28)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported on the previous Friday, The U.S. Supreme Court would hear arguments on the legality of stretching the ballot certification deadline. The following Saturday, a Florida circuit court judge would hold a hearing on whether to recount 14 thousand disputed ballots from Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties. Those ballots, plus a million others the Bush camp got included, were on their way to Tallahassee. The following Wednesday, a hearing on a lawsuit charging absentee ballot tampering in Seminole County.

**TALLAHASSEE**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that the legal maneuvering for ballot recounts was intensifying that night. The Gore camp was appealing to Florida's Supreme Court to get the ballots recounted. The Bush camp was asking that another million ballots be added to the count. The Florida legislature wanted to end the whole process by picking its own slate of electors.

**CHENEY LAWSUIT**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that there was another lawsuit that kept George W. Bush from moving into the White House. The suit, filed in Austin, Texas said the state's electoral votes could not be awarded to the Bush/Cheney ticket. It said their candidacy violated the constitution because both candidates lived in the same state. To qualify for the election, Cheney registered to vote in his home state of Wyoming. But the lawsuit said Cheney lived in Texas, held a Texas driver's license and most recently voted in the lone star state. There had been no comment from the Republican Vice Presidential candidate.

**GARCETTI GOODBYE**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:14)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Bryan reported that he as the city's top prosecutor for years though often criticized for not winning big cases. District Attorney Gil Garcetti was getting ready to move on after being voted out of office in November.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

**DECEMBER 7, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that decisions could come as early as the following day in two other Florida Court cases charging absentee ballot tampering in Seminole and Martin Counties. The Democratic plaintiffs wanted as many as 25 thousand absentee ballots thrown out. They charged Republicans illegally added voter I.D. numbers to the ballots. Republicans said they did nothing wrong. The Judge hearing the case from Seminole County said she was reluctant to toss out any votes.

**CLINTON PARDONS**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:41)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Bryan reported that President Clinton was also being asked for forgiveness. As his time in the White House ticked down, pardons were being requested by some of the Nation's more controversial figures. The lawyer for Susan McDougal said he was taking every and any course of action to secure a pardon. McDougal was convicted in the Whitewater case and spent nearly tow years in prison. The New York Times also reported Whitewater figure Webster Hubbell was seeking a pardon along with Junk Bond King Michael Milken. The White House declined to comment about the pardon requests.

**FLORIDA**

**DECEMBER 9, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:28)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Clark reported that a divided U. S. Supreme Court ordered election workers to immediately stop counting the disputed ballots. It was an order that helped the Texas Governor maintained a slim lead over the Vice President. It contradicted the previous day's order by the Florida Supreme Court to begin hand counting those under votes.

**BARAK**

**DECEMBER 11, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:35)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dilva Henry reported on major developments in Israel that day as an International Commission examined the nation's uncertain future. The commission met with Prime Minister Ehud Barak that morning to discuss ways to end the violence there. The five-member commission was led by former U. S. Senator George Mitchell. The commission then met with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. The visit followed Mister Barak's resignation that set in motion a February election. Only current members of parliament could participate in that election. But former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu who was not a current

member of parliament, wanted to run. His supporters were trying to amend the law.

### **JESSEE JACKSON**

**DECEMBER 11, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (01:35)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that there was still no word from the Nation's highest court on how it would rule in the matter George Bush versus Albert Gore. That day, there was a veiled threat from the Reverend Jesse Jackson. He spoke out that day against stopping the Florida recount saying a high court ruling against Al Gore would create a civil rights uprising. Demonstrators from both sides protested outside the Supreme Court that day, Reverend Jackson among them. He said there were growing cries of voter disenfranchisement, particularly among black voters. Jackson said many voters may not have had access to better voting machines as the ones in wealthier counties.

### **DIXON FUNERAL**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 3:30 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Mia Lee reported that Dixon served his country and community for 22 years, but that day, it was a final farewell for Congressman Julian Dixon. Hundreds of lawmakers, family and friends gathered in South Los Angeles for funeral services for Dixon. Congressman Dixon died Friday after suffering a heart attack. Fellow lawmakers said Dixon may be gone, but they would assure he would not be forgotten.

### **TIMELINE**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:24)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dilva Henry reported that the newest additions to the final chapter of this historic race would come later that night. At six that evening, Pacific Time, Vice President Al Gore and running mate Joseph Lieberman were expected to address the nation. That was when many speculated Mr. Gore would withdraw from the race. Just about an hour later, at seven Pacific Time George W. Bush would speak. Looking farther ahead, the electors were set to cast their votes on December 18<sup>th</sup>. The Congress voted on January 6<sup>th</sup> and one January 20<sup>th</sup>, as scheduled, would inaugurate the 43<sup>rd</sup> President of the United States.



**O.C. VOTING**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:25)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the debate over ballots had stretched to Orange County. Elections in that area would be going hi-tech. Supervisors had ordered a study to see if Orange County was ready for an electronic paper-free voting system. The new high-tech system would cost the county 30 to 50 million dollars. Riverside County had already made the switch. Officials there used the paperless technology in the November election. Los Angeles County Supervisors were also exploring the high-tech voting process.

**Gore**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:27)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that gracious was the word heard again and again that night to describe Al Gore's concession speech. With family and friends standing by his side, the Vice President urged supporters to join him in uniting behind President – elect Bush. Gore did refer to the Supreme Court ruling that stopped the recount cementing the election for Bush. Vice President Gore and President – elect Bush would meet in Washington the following Tuesday.

**WHAT'S NEXT**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:32)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported on what would happen after the election were settled. President – elect Bush would turn over the reins of Governor to Lt. Governor Rick Perry in Texas. Aides said Mr. Bush planned a trip to Washington. There he expected to pay courtesy call on President Clinton. There were plans for a meeting with Vice President Gore the following Tuesday. The following Monday the Electoral College would meet to cast the official votes for President. Then, President-elect Bush would announce cabinet selections as part of the transition.

**GORE DAY AFTER**

**DECEMBER 15, 2000 10:00 P.M. TRT (00:17)**

KCAL 9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that one day after his concession speech, Gore stayed close to home and out of the public eye. He spent that day making and taking a few thank you calls from his office. That was the first time since 1976 that Gore had not held public office.

**BUSH POLL**

**DECEMBER 16, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:28)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dave Bryan reported that despite losing the popular vote and facing divisions in Congress, many Americans reportedly felt George W. Bush could still be an effective President. That was according to a recent newspaper poll. The survey found that nearly 75% of Americans thought Bush should pursue his political goals regardless of his slim margin. Americans were also divided over the Supreme Court's decision to stop Florida hand recounts. 51% said the decision was fair while 44% said it was unfair. 29% thought that education should be Bush's top priority.

**BUSH/POWELL**

**DECEMBER 16, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:15)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Clark reported that Colin Powell's appointment was no surprise. Bush had hinted at it from the earliest days of his campaign. The former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff was already getting support from both democrats and republicans. Many analysts expected Powell to be confirmed easily.

**ELECTORS**

**DECEMBER 17, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:27)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that although voters around the country cast their ballot for President on November 7<sup>th</sup>, it was the electors of each state who registered the final votes to decide the Presidency. The following day, 538 electors would vote in what Bush hoped would be a stamp of approval of his narrow victory over Al Gore. Florida's 25 electors met each other that night at dinner. The electors were not expected to switch their vote; especially since they were required to sign a loyalty oath to the GOP.

**KNESSET VOTE**

**DECEMBER 18, 2000 2:00 P.M. TRT (00:40)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported that Israel's upcoming election may have been as bitter and contentious as the recent U. S. Presidential race. A defiant Benjamin Netanyahu told reporters he would still run for Prime Minister, but only if parliament was dissolved and general elections were held. Israeli law prevented him from running because he was not a member of parliament. Elections were tentatively scheduled for February. Prime Minister Ehud Barak

who resigned earlier that month called for the early elections in hopes of avoiding a contest against Netanyahu.

**LIEBERMAN/TOUR**

**DECEMBER 18, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:16)**

KCAL 9 anchor Pat Harvey reported that former Vice Presidential candidate Joe Lieberman was on a thank you tour in his home state. Lieberman returned to Groton, Connecticut to thank the people for keeping his as U. S. Senator. He had been criticized by Republicans for running on both the Presidential ticket and for Senate. Lieberman told the people of Connecticut education and keeping the national economy strong were among his top priorities.

**COOLEY 3 STRIKES**

**DECEMBER 20, 2000 12:00 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dilva Henry reported that L. A. County's new D.A. was keeping his campaign promise to go easy on petty offenders facing California's "three strikes law." Steve Cooley announced he would limit use of the law so that only those who've committed three "violent" crimes are punished under the law. The three-strikes law was passed by California voters in 1994. It called for a life sentence for third time offenders. Cooley said he felt the law had been interpreted too strictly, often putting minor offenders behind bars for life.

**EMBASSY BOMBING**

**DECEMBER 20, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:27)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that a Federal grand jury indicted 5 more people on charges involving the 1998 U.S. Embassy bombings in Kenya and Tanzania. All were charged with being part of a terrorist run by Osama Bin Laden. Only one was charged with an active role in the bombings. He faced 223 counts of murder. 17 people including Bin Laden were charged earlier. Four of them went on trial in January. 12 Americans were among the 224 people killed in the attacks.

**DAVIS/CAMPAIGN DONORS**

**DECEMBER 27, 2000 9:00 P.M. TRT (00:17)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Governor Davis was coming under fire for accepting large campaign donations from energy companies. Critic charged the money could compromise the governor's objectivity and his credibility.

Activists said Davis had taken nearly 800 thousand dollars from energy companies since 1998.

**BUSH CABINET**

**DECEMBER 28, 2000 3:30 P.M. TRT (00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported on a surprise appointment from President – elect George W. Bush who announced his Defense Secretary. He nominated Washington veteran Donald Rumsfeld, a former Defense Secretary for President Ford. Many expected Indiana Senator Dan Coats would get the job. Bush said Rumsfeld's top priorities would include improving pay and training for the armed forces and improving our missile defense system. Bush was also expected to appoint Wisconsin Governor Tommy Thompson to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

## **ECONOMICS**

### **EXPLORER SALES**

**OCTOBER 4, 2000 8:00PM (TRT 00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Kerry Kilbride reported sales of the sport utility vehicle were up more than one percent last month compared to September of last year. Nearly 80,000 new Explorers have been sold since the August 9<sup>th</sup> recall of 6.5 million Firestone tires.

### **PRICELINE**

**OCTOBER 5, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the Priceline business selling gasoline and groceries will be out of business in about 90 days. They are going to shut down its division that sold used household goods on the web. The stock of Priceline dot com was down about 30 percent in value today.

### **PROSPERITY NOTES**

**OCTOBER 5, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:30)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported that Uncle Sam has taken certain new bills direct from the government printing presses, slapped a marketing label on them and is selling them at almost four times their face value. It's called a prosperity note because of the four eights in the serial number. In some Asian cultures that's the sign of prosperity.

### **US AIR/UNITED MERGE**

**OCTOBER 12, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported United and US Airways are ready to seal the deal. Shareholders approved the 4 point three billion dollar merger. Some are worried that the move will mean higher ticket prices for travelers. The airlines expect to officially merge in January.

### **MARKET REAX**

**OCTOBER 12, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:20)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the fear of no oil or higher prices and you get a sell off for a lot of stock. At the end of trading, the Dow Industries was down nearly 400 points. But investors have seen big sell-off before.



**MARKET REAX**

**OCTOBER 12, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:41)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported the Middle East crisis almost immediately hit the oil market and then the stock market. The crisis threatens to push up prices for a lot of things you buy and that is one reason why Wall Street plunged today.

**MINIUM WAGE**

**OCTOBER 23, 2000 10:00PM (TRT 1:34)**

KCAL 9 reporter Leyna Nguyen reported California's minimum wage is going up by a dollar. At 6 dollars and 75 cents, it will be one of the highest in the nation.

**OIL PROFITS**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:30)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported profits for EXXON Mobil and Chevron more than doubled in the last quarter, and for Texaco, profits were up eighty percent. Meanwhile, natural gas prices are at a record high. SEMPRA Energy is warning that last year's bill of 50 dollars will now jump to 70 dollars.

**PALMS CASINO**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:20)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported a ground-breaking day for another casino resort project in Las Vegas. It will be called the Palms and will cost more than one quarter of a billion dollars with 470 hotel rooms and a 95 thousand square foot casino. It will be about one half mile off the Vegas Strip.

**AT&T**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:30)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the company that used to be known as "Ma Bell" and then the largest distance company is now the biggest cable TV company in the United States. AT&T has diversified, but its stock has lost nearly half of its value this year.

**PLAYSTATION FOLLOWUP**

**OCTOBER 27, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:55)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported that some retail analysts are calling the demand for the Playstation Two a "mania" not seen since Tickle Me Elmo and Furby first were sold to the public. Hundreds of Playstations were put

up for auction on the EBAY online auction site. The units have been selling for 900 dollars, tripling its retail price.

**MOTEL FAMILIES**

**OCTOBER 30, 2000 3:30PM (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL 9 reporter Mia Lee reported that rents have been driven up so high that most apartments are now way out of reach for low-income families. As the result of it, entire families are being forced to live in motels.

**OIL PRICES**

**OCTOBER 31, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:10)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported world oil prices are down today because today is the first day of OPEC's new production quota. As expected, OPEC is now pumping two percent more crude oil. It's part of OPEC's plan to keep world oil prices from going up.

**BOEING**

**NOVEMBER 2, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:01)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported BOEING believes that as many as 500 super jumbo jets will be needed for passenger and freight traffic around the world. In the first nine months of this year, BOEING was winning the battle for plane building, receiving about 60 percent of the orders for aircraft world wide.

**PRICELINE.COM**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:23)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported another setback for Priceline.com. The company's CFO quit, and made two damaging statements. First, that going to work for Priceline.com was a mistake, and second, that the business model of Priceline.com was unsustainable. Their stock fell one-third of its value today.

**ELECTION STOCKS**

**NOVEMBER 6, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:15)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported some of the big stocks moving higher today are going up because they might benefit from a Republican in the White House. Microsoft is up more than a dollar, drug stocks and HMO stocks could also benefit. Overall, the stock market could benefit because Bush has been supporting a restructuring of social security that could lead to investing some money into the stock market.

### **ELECTION AND STOCKS**

**NOVEMBER 7, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:38)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the stock market tends to do well after an election. It's also a good sign for stocks if there is gridlock around the beltway. That means it's a good sign for stocks if several parties are in control in Washington.

### **MICROSOFT**

**NOVEMBER 8, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:42)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported Microsoft was up, but is now down about two dollars, perhaps because the overall tech sector is getting hit. One reason is a belief that Bush will push for big tax cuts that will raise inflation and raise interest rates. This could help sales of computers and it can hurt the high tech companies that need to borrow money for their expansions.

### **ELECTION/STOCKS**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:37)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported reasons for today's stock market rally go all over the map. One of the reasons is tomorrow's meeting of Alan Greenspan and the Federal Reserve, with some analysts saying that the Fed could cut interest rates soon.

### **BUSH STOCKS**

**NOVEMBER 22, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:47)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported some of the Bush stocks were sharply lower this morning as the recounts continued and with Dick Cheney hospitalized. But the George Bush stocks are off their lows now. Microsoft is also considered a Bush stock because a win by George Bush might see the Justice Department ease up on the efforts to split up Microsoft.

### **STOCK MARKET**

**NOVEMBER 22, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:25)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported stocks rallied a bit when election officials in Miami had called off a recount in that county. That was viewed as a victory for Bush, but the selling resumed when the Gore camp said it would appeal that decision. Also hurting stocks, worries that the economy is slowing and company profits could shrink.

**EARLY SHOPPING**

**NOVEMBER 23, 2000 10:00PM (TRT 1:54)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported stores that were open Thanksgiving Day had a little more urgency in their discounts. KMART has a nationwide program to boost sales amid slumping business. Turkey day sales gave KMART a head start on the competition. Some shoppers are calling the stock market sell off a short-term problem.

**VNS LAWSUIT**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jerry Dunphy reported an anti-trust advocacy group wants the "Voter News Service" to pay for its election night snafu by shutting it down. The group has asked the Justice Department to break up the VNS.

**TOBACCO SETTLEMENT**

**NOVEMBER 29, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:15)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported the nation will divide the 246 billion Tobacco Lawsuit settlement. Alameda County's share is around 17 million dollars a year. Supervisors agreed to spend about half of that money on health-related projects. The rest will go to health programs for children, the poor, and on public health.

**DOW DROPS**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported that a tech wreck and a big sell off in the technology stocks is wrecking all of Wall Street. The selling started this morning after several computer companies warned of slower sales for the holidays. The so-called Bush stocks are higher today. It may be a sign that Wall Street believes Bush will win.

**COMPUTERS**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 2:00PM (TRT 00:40)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported computer and internet stocks led the markets lower today. Internet stocks were pounded again, some lost more than 90 percent of their value in the past year. Slow computer sales is a sign of a slowing economy that could affect more companies.

**STOCKS DOWN**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 2:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the big worry on Wall Street now is that we are headed for a big slowdown in the economy, maybe even a recession that will sweep through main streets nationwide. The Dow industrials closed with a loss of about 215 points and earlier today was down 300 points.

**STOCK MARKET**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported there was a report from Uncle Sam this morning that the income of Americans went down last month, the first such drop in almost two years. And Americans are slowing down their buying, perhaps because of interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve. The sell-off for internet stocks and now computer stocks could mean tough times for some industries that are coming.

**ASK JEEVES**

**DECEMBER 12, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:15)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dilva Henry reported "Ask Jeeves," a cyberspace search engine, is laying off one-fourth of its 180 workers. In an effort to reduce operating costs by 45 million dollars next year. Last week "Ask Jeeves" stocks lost more than half its value.

**STOCKS**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the warning from Compaq hurt the tech stocks in the NASDAQ. George Bush will inherit a slowing economy when he enters the White House. Most of the so called Bush stocks were higher today and they included Microsoft, Philip Morris, RJR Tobacco, Pfizer and Johnson and Johnson, companies that will benefit with Bush as President.

**OLDSMOBILE**

**DECEMBER 13, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:42)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported another slowing economy is General Motor's decision to do away with Oldsmobile and to layoff thousands of workers.



## **STOCKS**

**DECEMBER 14, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported even before Wall Street rang the opening bell this morning, it was clear that we were going to have a down day. Two banking giants JP Morgan and Chase Manhattan warned that they would have lower profits and would lay off five thousand workers.

## **AOL/TIME MERGER**

**DECEMBER 14, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:25)**

KCAL 9 reporter Dilva Henry reported the Federal Trade Commission today unanimously approved the merger between America Online and Time Warner. The decision clears the way for the FCC to complete its review. That's the final hurdle before the two companies can consummate the 111 billion dollar deal.

## **MICROSOFT EARNING**

**DECEMBER 15, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dilva Henry reported Wall Street is reeling after software giant Microsoft's latest warning. The company is bracing for a huge shortfall in profits. It expects a slump, five to 6 percent lower sales than expected this quarter and throughout the coming year.

## **POWER CREDIT**

**DECEMBER 15, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the latest warning to investors came this morning from Fitch, a company that provides investment information. Fitch says that management at the utilities does not have the power to stem the liquidity problems. The utilities had their hands tied by the Public Utility Commission.

## **ETOYS**

**DECEMBER 18, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported Etoys is in big trouble and Wall Street is taking notice with the stock of Etoys down about 70 percent today. Etoys is now trading at about 25 cents a share. This is a stock that used to sell for more than 80 dollars a share.

### **DRUG MERGER**

**DECEMBER 18, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported another mega-merger is about to be consummated. This one in the pharmaceutical industry. The long awaited merger between British companies "Glaxo and Smithkline Beecham" cleared today. The deal got the OK from the United States Trade Commission.

### **YEAR END TAXES**

**DECEMBER 18, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported Etoys is not the only stock that Wall Street has doubts about. Priceline dot com, like Etoys, has lost more than 95 percent of its value. Investors doubt the online travel site will succeed. If your losses were more than three thousand dollars this year, then you can carry over the extra losses to next year. That's some consolation if your dot come wen dot boom.

### **CHINA CARS**

**DECEMBER 18, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Pat Harvey reported the competition is heating up for a share in China's vast consumer market before it officially enter the World Trade Organization. GM has just rolled out several new car models and is working together with Chinese car makers. But the Chinese are also launching their own models. GM says the new venture will be difficult.

### **CAR CUTS**

**DECEMBER 19, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:20)**

KCAL 9 anchor Dave Gonzales reported the country's top automakers says they will significantly cut the numbers of vehicles it makes over the next few years. General Motors says it will cut its 80 vehicle lineup by as much as 20 percent by 2004. The company points to declining sales here and in Europe for the cost cutting move.

### **FEDERAL RESERVE**

**DECEMBER 19, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:30)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported despite all the signs of a slowing economy, the Federal Reserve is keeping short-term interest rates unchanged. The goal of the Federal Reserve is to keep interest rates just right to keep the economy growing, but also to prevent or to control inflation. We are having a slowing economy, signs that could warrant a rate cut.

**DWP CRISIS**

**DECEMBER 21, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 1:10)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the DWP is not asking for a rate hike to cope with higher natural gas prices. A rate hike would need the approval of the City Council. General Manager David Freeman says that the DWP already has the right to go into the energy business. It's in the DWP's charter, he says, and the City Council has already talked to him about this plan.

**DWP CRISIS**

**DECEMBER 21, 2000 NOON (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the Department of Water and Power in Los Angeles has not had any kind of power shortage. But there are concerns about power, because natural gas prices have shot up. The city is trying to get into the business of exploring for natural gas, drilling for it, and selling it.

**PASADENA POWER**

**DECEMBER 21, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:45)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported there are too many generators are down for maintenance at a time when demand for power is up and there is a lack of hydro-electric power, so the word is conserve. The City of Burbank is also considering a plan that would allow the city to control the air conditioning of volunteers, with the volunteers getting a discounted rate.

**POWER ALERT**

**DECEMBER 21, 2000 3:30PM (TRT 00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Mia Lee reported power operators say they were forced to call the stage two because they just couldn't import enough electricity. The State Public Utilities Commission announced that rate increases will be needed to keep Southern California Edison and PG&E from going bankrupt.

**LAX PICKETERS**

**DECEMBER 23, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 00:22)**

KCAL 9 anchor Leyna Nguyen reported American Airlines mechanics staged a protest for what they call "preventative maintenance." They say they want to ensure that they don't get similar treatment as the mechanics for other airlines that have been in negotiations for several months without a new contract.

**DAY AFTER SALES**

**DECEMBER 28, 2000 12:00PM (TRT 00:30)**

KCAL 9 anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported it's the shopping day merchants wait all year for, but this time "the day after Christmas" brought lackluster sales. Shoppers put off gift buying and merchants slashed prices 50 to 75 percent to lure customers. Sales were projected to increase by ten percent from last year, but the figures could be closer to a six or seven percent increase due to all the markdowns.

**WARDS CLOSING**

**DECEMBER 28, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 00:44)**

KCAL 9 anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that after 125 years, Montgomery Ward is closing its doors forever. Years of poor sales have finally shut down the retail giant. There was hope sales would increase when the company emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 1999. But analysts say it could not distinguish itself from the new kids on the block like Target and Wal-Mart.

**POWER**

**DECEMBER 29, 2000 9:00PM (TRT 1:20)**

KCAL 9 financial reporter Alan Mendelson reported the problems for Edison International is growing. The company has been forced to pay off 419 million dollars of bonds it issued. These bonds which are IOU's for borrowed money had an early pay off provision and the investors wanted their money back. Pacific Gas and Electric has 100 million dollars of bonds coming due and if PG&E can't pay them off, or refinance them, they could be forced into bankruptcy.

## EDUCATION

### WALK A CHILD 10:00PM (TRT:25) OCTOBER 4, 2000

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that thousands of parents walked their kids to school as part of National walk you child to school day. The day is set aside to promote safety awareness and to encourage parents to walk their children to school. Sponsors say its great exercise and a good way to spend time with their children.

### CHILD CARE OCTOBER 5, 2000 10:00PM (TRT:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Kerry Kilbride reported that L.A. County has launched a revolutionary after-school program offering quality care and education for students in low-income areas. The "after-school enrichment program" was announced today at Martin Luther King Elementary School. Kids will get help with homework and preparing for tests and even home computers. The program will be open to kids from 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade at more than 200 Los Angeles schools.

### GIRL HERO OCTOBER 5, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reports that an 11 year-old girl saved the life of a little boy who she found floating underwater in a sports club pool. Brittany Goodwin said she knew what to do when she found him not breathing because of a CPR class she took in school. While an adult started mouth to mouth resuscitation, Brittany calmly started to compress the little boy's chest like she'd been taught in school.

### HIPPIE SCHOOL OCTOBER 6, 2000 12:00PM (TRT:35)

KCAL9 Anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reports that a grade school with no books and no tests is claiming academic success. The main curriculum at the aspen community school is the kids themselves. Teachers say lessons start from the students' own experiences then the learning moves on to information. Students take the C-SAT exam and score 67% proficiency or better. The average GPA when entering high school is 3.6.



**EDUCATION HEARING**

**OCTOBER 6, 2000 12:00PM (TRT:40)**

KCAL9 Anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reports that top educators are criticism for the nation's new education budget. They plan to present lawmakers with a wish list of things schools need to succeed. Priorities include more teachers, smaller class sizes, and more money to pay teachers. Today only 7% of the nation's budget is spent on education.

**SCHOOL VANDALISM**

**OCTOBER 9, 2000 3:30PM (TRT:28)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports that 20 classrooms were vandalized at Cabrillo Elementary School over the weekend. Officials say the vandals spray-painted hate graffiti against African-Americans and trashed the classrooms. The rooms are cleaned-up now and students are back inside.

**VIOLENT TOY TURN IN**

**OCTOBER 21, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:20)**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that hundreds of kids who own guns turned them over to police in a gun buyback program. The children were asked to turn in their toy guns in exchange for basketball tickets and school supplies. Police also encouraged them to turn in "shoot and slash" video games and music with violent lyrics.

**PROP 38 RALLY**

**OCTOBER 21, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:30)**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that supporters of prop 38 gathered at Olvera Street to urge voters to vote yes on the proposition that would give vouchers to qualified parents to help send their children to private schools.

**BIKE AND TRAFFIC SAFETY**

**OCTOBER 21, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:20)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Clark reported that 80 kid artists and athletes took part in a six-mile bike ride today. They ended at the California Science Center where they got a tour and educational lessons. The event, planned by a League of Law Enforcement, was organized to promote educational sports and police activities.

**JAM AGAINST VIOLENCE**

**OCTOBER 21, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:25)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Clark reported that kids from around the Southland showcased their talents and a community event called "Community Jam against Violence". More than 350 kids showed off their talent at the 7<sup>th</sup> annual event presented by the L.A.'s Best Program.

**SCOOTER SAFETY**

**OCTOBER 22, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:20)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Clark reported that thousands of Simi Valley kids got the chance to test their skills and their knowledge at a "Scooter Safety Jam". They learned safety rules on miniature courses that simulated traffic hazards for scooter riders. At the end of the day the kids received official safety certificates.

**COMPUTER GIVEAWAY**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00PM (TRT:45)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzales reports that some families have new computers today as part of the Parent Center at Fenton Avenue Charter School. The 300 computers were donated by State Farm Insurance Company. The computer giveaway is part of an effort to enhance the student's computer skills and educational experiences.

**CAMPUS SECURITY**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 12:00PM (TRT:1:32)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzales reported that the federal government ordered college campuses to begin providing campus crime statistics to its students in 1991. That has led to a greater awareness of campus crime and stepped up efforts to fight it at colleges and universities like Cal State University, Northridge.

**TEACHER AWARD**

**OCTOBER 24, 2000 3:30PM (TRT:32)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that a local teacher is credited with teaching his students lessons in life, respect and honesty. In return, he has earned respect and a big reward from Oprah Winfrey. Teacher Rafe Esquith's hard work at Hobart Elementary School in the mid-city, has earned him recognition and a \$100, 000 "Use Your Life Award"

**STUDENTS VOTE**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:38)**

KCAL9 Anchor Jerry Dunphy reported that some high school students nationwide took part in a mock election called "ONEVOTE". The nationwide poll of middle and high school students covers a variety of issues important to teen-agers. They cast their votes on races for president, the senate and governor in states where statewide races are being held.

**BUSH TODAY**

**OCTOBER 25, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:30)**

KCAL9 Anchors Dave Gonzales and Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that a new Rand Corporation study suggests George W. Bush's claim of rising student test scores in Texas may be misleading. The students didn't do well on National tests.

**CHILD SEATS GRANT**

**OCTOBER 27, 2000 8:00PM (TRT:40)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Clark reported that the CHP held a child safety event. The safety check-up allowed officers to help teach parents how to buckle up their kids safely and make sure they are placed in seats appropriate for their age and size. The CHP received a million-dollar grant to train officers around the state as specialists in child vehicle safety.

**BELMONT REVIEW**

**NOVEMBER 11, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:20)**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reported that 5 L.A. Unified School District administrators could be heading back to work. They were suspended in the wake of the Belmont Learning Center Scandal. Belmont was the abandoned downtown high school project plagued by cost overruns and environmental problems. Now Superintendent Ray Romer wants the administrators reinstated reporting that an internal investigation found insufficient evidence supporting termination.

**SCHOOL PROPOSITIONS**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:1:30)**

KCAL9 Education Reporter Jay Jackson reports that after last weeks elections the superintendent of the LAUSD had a lot to talk about with the defeat of Prop 38 against school vouchers which would have taken millions of dollars from the school district and the passage of Prop 39 which makes it easier to pass school bond measures.

**BELMONT CENTER**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:1:40)**

KCAL9 Education Reporter Jay Jackson reported that ground breaking for the new Hollywood Belmont Primary Center took place today. The center will service more than 200 kindergarten students.

**TEACHER STRIKE**

**NOVEMBER 17, 2000 2:00PM (TRT: 1:40)**

KCAL9 Education Reporter Jay Jackson reported that the LAUSD and the United Teachers of Los Angeles have been meeting for 7 months trying to hammer out a deal, but there are still big differences in regard to salary and benefits. There also seems to be personal differences between union leaders and the new superintendent. The two sides met behind closed doors but without their leaders.

**BELMONT LEARNING**

**NOVEMBER 24, 2000 10:00PM (TRT:28)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that the debate over what to do with the Belmont Learning Center project continues. A citizen's group plans to pressure the district to revive the abandoned project. A school construction bond oversight committee is planning to get tough and withhold funds from other projects if the board does not take another look at a Belmont solution.

**STOP HATE**

**NOVEMBER 28, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:40)**

KCAL9 Anchor Jerry Dunphy reported in attempt to break the cycle of hate and violence, the Anti-Defamation League organized a program of diversity training and anti-bias education. The program took place at Locke High School to teach students about tolerance that they hope will create a respectful environment for everyone.

**SCHOOL FUNDS**

**NOVEMBER 29, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:1:23)**

KCAL9 Education Reporter Jay Jackson reported that nearly two dozen suburban schools are filing suit to change the way the state hands out school construction funds. They claim the new system favors large urban districts and is unfair to smaller suburban school systems that are ready to build schools.

**BUNNY KILLER**

**NOVEMBER 29, 2000 3:30PM (TRT:33)**

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that a Huntington Park teacher faces charges of allegedly torturing a rabbit in front of his students. Investigators said Godwin Onunwah put a rabbit in a plastic bag as an experiment, tied it and waited for the animal to die. When it didn't die, he allegedly put it into a closet where it was found dead several days later. If convicted, Onunwah faces up to a year in jail and a 20 thousand-dollar fine.

**DOWNTOWN SCHOOLS**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 12:00PM (TRT:1:41)**

KCAL9 Education Reporter Jay Jackson reported on the old Belmont Leaning Complex and the possibility of the same environmental problems as the now abandoned site that could force students out of other schools.

**NEW SCHOOLS**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:1:20)**

KCAL9 Education Reporter Jay Jackson reported there more school could be coming to the L.A. area. A meeting to determine 15 possible sites could mean good news for the L.A. District. A meeting was going on to discuss the issue.

**SCHOOL FIRE**

**DECEMBER 11, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:30)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dilva Henry reported that a fire raced through a Lynwood high school putting students out of their classrooms. The fire broke out at Pathway High School, a facility where students go for independent study. Investigators believe the fire, which caused 165 thousand dollars in damage, was the work of an arsonist.

**CENTENNIAL COMPLAINT**

**DECEMBER 11, 2000 3:30PM (TRT:25)**

KCAL9 Anchor Dilva Henry reported that students from Compton's Centennial High School are seeking help from the U.S. Department of Education's office of Civil Rights. They say the school has missing teachers, outdated books and dirty classrooms and is not providing the education they need to prepare them for college.



**STUDENT HEALTH**

**DECEMBER 15, 2000 2:00PM (TRT:31)**

KCAL9 Anchor Doug Fernandez reported that the L.A. Unified School District got a financial boost from Kaiser Permanente. The health organization presented district Superintendent Roy Romer with a check in the amount of 80 thousand dollars. The money will go toward teaching children about their health. School officials say the health instruction will benefit both the students and their parents.

**MATH CONTEST**

**DECEMBER 20, 2000 9:00PM (TRT: 1:43)**

KCAL9 Anchor Jane Velez-Mitchell reported that in the debate about how to improve education and motivate students to learn one Southland school might have come up with an answer. They borrowed a lesson from TV game shows. Coldwater Elementary School came up with "Who Wants to be the Master of Multiplication Mathematician".

**EXIT EXAMS**

**DECEMBER 27, 2000 9:00PM (TRT:32)**

KCAL9 anchor Dave Clark reported that a new state exit exam designed to test the readiness of high school students to graduate can't make the grade in the legislature. Some in Sacramento fear too many may fail the test and that could lead to lawsuits.